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AMENDMENT(S) TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-7. (Canceled)

8. (Previously presented) An electrical tie, comprising:

a head; and

5 an elongate strap having a longitudinal direction, a first side, a second side and an end,  
said end being attached to said head, said first side having at least two longitudinally extending  
ribs, said second side having at least three longitudinally extending ribs, each said rib being  
substantially parallel with each other, each said rib extending a majority of a longitudinal length  
of a corresponding side, said longitudinally extending ribs on said first side being spaced apart in  
10 a direction transverse to said longitudinal direction, said longitudinally extending ribs on said  
second side being spaced apart in a direction transverse to said longitudinal direction, said at least  
three longitudinally extending ribs on said second side including serrations.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Canceled)

11. (Previously presented) The electrical tie of claim 8, said at least two ribs comprising  
two ribs on said first side and said at least three ribs comprising three ribs on said second side.

12. (Canceled)

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13. (Previously presented) An electrical tie, comprising:

an elongate strap having opposing sides and an end, at least one said side having a plurality of serrations, said serrations include one of projections and recesses, at least one said side has at least one longitudinally extending rib, at least one said rib including serrations in said  
s rib; and

a head attached to said end, said head including a locking slot for receiving said strap therein, said locking slot including opposing walls, each said wall having three rib openings, each said wall including at least one locking tooth.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Canceled)

16. (Original) The electrical tie of claim 13, each said wall including a plurality of locking teeth.

17. (Original) The electrical tie of claim 16, said plurality of locking teeth having a ramped, cantilever beam construction.

18. (Previously presented) An electrical tie, comprising:

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an elongate strap having a longitudinal extension, opposing sides and an end, at least one  
said side including serrations; and

a head attached to said end, said head including a locking slot for receiving said strap  
5 therein and interconnecting with said serrations, said head including opposing sides and a  
perimeter wall extending on each said opposing side, said wall located on a perimeter of said  
head, said perimeter wall including at least one notch on each said opposing side in said perimeter  
wall, said notches creating a hinge section allowing hinged movement of said head in a direction  
transverse to said longitudinal extension.

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19. (Original) The electrical tie of claim 18, said hinged section comprising a thinned  
section.

20. (Original) The electrical tie of claim 18, said hinge section allowing hinged  
movement of said head in a direction generally perpendicular to said longitudinal extension

Claims 21-24. (Canceled)

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